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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
FOR

: Hayes et al.
: CONFIGURABLE BILLING
SYSTEM SUPPORTING
MULTIPLE PRINTER PRODUCTS
AND BILLING SYSTEMS
: 09/750,603
: December 28, 2000
: 3624
: Geoffrey R. Akers
: July 15, 2003
: D/99181
XERZ 2 00346

SERIAL NO.

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EXAMINER

LAST OFFICE ACTION

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from a decision of the primary Examiner mailed **July 15, 2003** finally rejecting claims 1-22. An After Final Amendment responding to the Examiner's Final Action and a Request for a 2-month Extension of Time were filed on December 15, 2003.

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Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8, I certify that this Amendment Transmittal Letter and accompanying document(s) are being
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The items checked below are appropriate:

1. **STATUS OF APPLICANT**

☒ This application is on behalf of other than a small entity.

2. **FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(b) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

☒ other than a small entity \$ 330.00

3. **EXTENSION OF TIME**

☒ Applicant(s) hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a 3-month extension of time up to and including January 15, 2004 in which to file the accompanying Notice of Appeal. The amount of \$420 having previously been paid for a 2-month extension of time, the amount of \$530 for the third month extension fee is enclosed herewith. Applicant(s) request any additional extensions of time that may be necessary and authorize the extension of time fees or any deficiency in fees herewith to be charged to Deposit Account No. 24-0037.

4. **TOTAL FEES DUE**

The total fee due is:

Notice of Appeal Fee: \$ 330.00

Third Month Extension of Time Fee: \$ 530.00

(2-Month Ext. of Time fee previously paid)

5. **FEE PAYMENT**

Attached is a check in the amount of \$ 330.00 and a check in the amount of \$ 530.00.

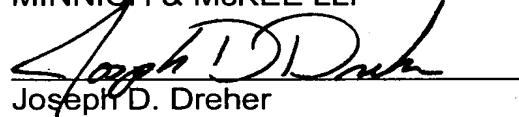
If any additional extension and/or fee is required this is a request therefor and charge Account No. 24-0037.

AND/OR

If any additional fee for claims is required charge Account No. 24-0037.

Respectfully Submitted,

FAY, SHARPE, FAGAN,
MINNICH & McKEE LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph D. Dreher", is written over a horizontal line.

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